



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

APPLICANT: Haupl et al
SERIAL NO.: 10/641,309 GROUP ART UNIT: 3764
FILED: August 14, 2003 CONFIRMATION NO.: 1040
INVENTION: "A WEIGHT COMPENSATION DEVICE"

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

S I R:

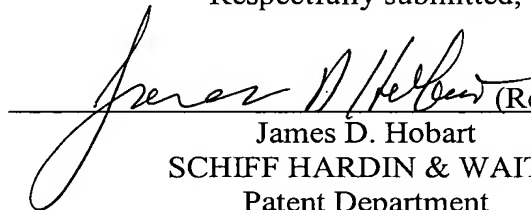
In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, it is requested that a citation and examination of the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 be made during the course of the examination of the above-identified application.

R E M A R K S

On page 1 of the application, in the Background of the Invention, U.S. Patent No. 6,065,705 was discussed. A copy of this U.S. Patent is attached herewith for the Examiner's review.

It is respectfully submitted that the specification distinguishes the claims over the teachings of this reference and that claims 1-15 are patentable thereover.

Respectfully submitted,


(Reg. No. 24,149)

James D. Hobart
SCHIFF HARDIN & WAITE
Patent Department
6600 Sears Tower
233 South Wacker Drive
Chicago, Illinois 60606
(312) 258-5781
Customer Number: 26574

DATED: November 21, 2003



CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, PO Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 on November 21, 2003.

James D. Hobart

Name of Applicants' Attorney

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "James D. Hobart", written over a horizontal line.

Signature

November 21, 2003

Date



Form PTO-1449					Docket No. P03,0299		Serial No. 10/641,309	
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION IN AN APPLICATION (use several sheets if necessary)					Applicant Haupt et al			
					Filing Date August 14, 2003		Group Art Unit 3764	
U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS								
Examiner's Initials		Document Number	Date	Name	Class	Subclass	Filing Date If appropriate	
	AA	6,065,705	05/23/2000	Schmitt				
	AB							
	AC							
	AD							
	AE							
	AF							
	AG							
	AH							
	AI							
	AJ							
	AK							
FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS								
		Document Number	Date	Country	Class	Subclass	Translation	
							Yes	No
	AL							
	AM							
	AN							
	AO							
	AP							
	AQ							
	AR							
	AS							
OTHER PRIOR ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)								
	AT							
	AU							
	AV							
	AW							
Examiner			Date Considered					
*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.								